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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of
Burbank et al.

Examiner: Jonathan M. Foreman

Group Art Unit: 3736

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
SECURING MEDICAL
INSTRUMENTS TO DESIRED
LOCATION IN A PATIENT'S BODY**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION UNDER
37 CFR §1.114**

Serial No.: 10/010,213

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114a. ☐ Previously submittedi. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.iii. ☐ Other: _____.b. ☒ Enclosedi. ☒ Amendmentii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. ☒ Other: Request for Extension of Time

2. **Filing Fees**

Description	Fee Code	Claims	Extra	Rate	Fee
RCE Fee	2801				\$395.
Independent Claims	2201	4 - 3 =	1 x	\$100.=	\$100.
Total Claims	2202	16 - 20 =	0 x	\$25.=	\$0.

Total Filing Fees Due\$495.

3. **Additional fees:** Request for Extension of Time for one (1) month from March 15, 2006 to April 17, 2006 (since April 15th fell on a Saturday) pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1).....\$60.

Total Fees \$555.

4. **Payment of Fees**

/X/ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fees and to credit any overpayment of fees which may be required under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 04-1679, referencing Atty. Docket No. R0367-00201. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for fee processing.

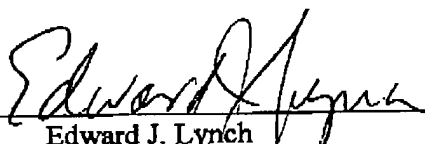
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